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Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish, Warnervale.

We gather as a community of believers in Jesus, to grow as his disciples, using our gifts, to proclaim the Gospel

SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION 5TH APRIL 2026, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Readings: Acts 10:34, 37-43;
Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

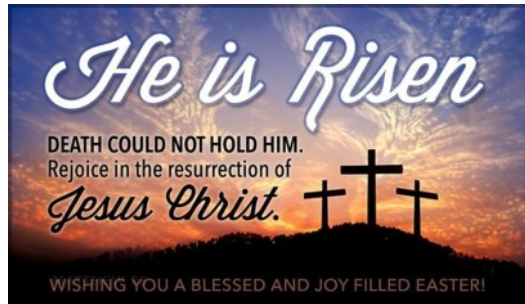
Response:

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let us rejoice and be glad

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!



A Happy and Holy Easter

The Parish staff wish each of you a happy and a holy Easter. Let us rejoice in all God has given us in Christ.

Easter Blessing!



May this Day of Resurrection fill you with faith and hope in the power of Jesus Christ to deliver you from sin to grace, from anger to gentleness, from frustration to patience, from doubt to faith, from infidelity to commitment, from laziness to creativity, from lust to love, from sadness to joy, from lies to truth, from secrecy to honesty, from injustice to justice from despair to hope, from greed to generosity, from hurt to healing, from isolation into community, from rejection to acceptance, from sickness to health, from darkness to light, from death to eternal life. All this is given to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Welcome to our Community

A Warm Welcome to Our Newest Members

At the Easter Vigil Mass, we joyfully welcomed Michael Kisi, Courtney Hosie, Dean Liddell, Brock Wright, and Alexander Saavedra into the Catholic Church and our parish community.

Through the Sacraments of Initiation, they are now fully joined to Christ and His Church. We celebrate their faith journey and pray for God's blessings as they continue to grow in faith with us.

Thank you



Thank you to everyone who participated in our Holy Week liturgies. Your presence, devotion, and generosity made this sacred time truly

meaningful for our parish.

We are especially grateful to all who assisted at last week's working bee in preparing the church and grounds—your efforts are deeply appreciated.

To our Liturgy and Décor Team, choirs, cantors, musicians, readers, servers, and all who contributed in any way—thank you for your dedication and care.

A special word of thanks to the Liturgy Committee for your ongoing commitment and support. Your service is a blessing to our parish community.

Sunday Mass

Sat (Vigil) 5pm,
Sun 8am, 10am, 5pm

Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am
Includes Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass

Mon 7:30am
Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
9.15am
Wednesday 8:45am

Monthly BBQ

4th Sunday of each month
after 5pm Mass

Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass
Tues 6pm Rosary

St Joseph's Men's Group

2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7pm

Anointing Mass

3rd Saturday of the Month
at 9:15am

Reconciliation

Sat 4pm - 4.45 pm

Baptisms

Sunday 11.30am Contact the
Parish Office for details.

Baptisms Preparation

3rd Tuesday of each month at
7pm in the church

Weddings

By appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues to Sat/ 8am to 9am

Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month
12noon at The Ary (Ziva),
Main Rd, Toukley

Men's & Women's Breakfast

4th Saturday of the month at
8am at Warnies Café.

Syro-Malabar Mass

1st Friday at 6pm
1st & 3rd Sunday at 7pm

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Parent Engagement Co-ordinator: Lucy Marien Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (lucy.marien@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

Safeguarding: When safeguarding is embedded in Parish leadership, governance and culture; members of the Parish recognise that it is a shared responsibility to safeguard children, young people and adults at risk.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

If you have any concerns please contact our Safeguarding officer - Bill Mifsud (bill@earthgold.com.au) 0412 051 839

Easter House Blessing



Holy water will be available for distribution from Easter Vigil through the conclusion of the 5:00pm Mass on Easter Sunday. Small bottles and prayer cards (one per family) will be provided for you to take home and use in blessing your home.

Salesian Thought

Little does passing time matter to a soul which aspires to eternity, and which only likes notice of perishing moments in order to pass by them into immortal life.

(Letters to Persons in Religion, IV, 8)

Memorial Wall

If you would like to dedicate a plaque in memory of a loved one, you can now make payment by bank transfer:

Account Name: St Mary MacKillop Parish; **Account Number:** 10000 5628; **BSB:** 062-784;
Reference: Plaque & Surname
Cost \$100 per plaque

After making your payment, please email the parish office at warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au with the following details:

- Full name of the deceased
- Date and place of birth
- Date and place of death
- Name of those dedicating the plaque.

We ask that all orders and payments be submitted by **Tuesday, 14th April 2026.**



Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, 12 April 2026.

The Parish will mark this sacred feast with **Rosary, Adoration, Benediction, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet** from **2:30pm to 3:30pm.** All are warmly invited to attend.



Rosary Prayer Group

Come pray with us for our families, the parish and the world, every **Tuesday at 6pm in the Church.**

April 2026: The prayer meetings will be held on **Thursday 16th and 30th April at 7:00pm**, at the home of **Bill and Dianne**, 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. For further information, please contact Dianne on 0413 454 547. All are most welcome to attend.

Central Coast Santa Maria Mothers Day Lunch

The Central Coast Santa Maria Committee warmly invites you to celebrate Mother's Day 2026 at a special lunch **Sunday, 3 May 2026 | 12:00pm – 4:00pm**

Toukley Golf Club, Key St, Toukley
\$45 per person

Enjoy a delicious two-course meal and live entertainment.

Bookings and payment due by 16 April 2026.

For tickets, please contact:

- **Charlie:** 0404 194 020
- **Rita Dimech:** 0448 742 591
- **Dianne Mifsud:** 0413 454 547
- **Connie & Charlie Tanti:** 4396 3704

SAINTS DAYS

Monday 6 April

Tuesday 7 April

Wednesday 8 April

Thursday 9 April

Friday 10 April

Saturday 11 April

Sunday 12 April

Diving Mercy Sunday

Return and Earn

This week we raised \$29.90

Thank you to everyone who continually supports our Return and Earn fundraising project and commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility for our community.



Please remember:

- ♦ containers need to be empty of all liquid;
- ♦ not crushed or broken;
- ♦ labels must be on the containers;
- ♦ No wine bottles or spirit bottles.
- ♦ Please place glass bottles in crates

Thank you for your continued support!

MacKillop Online Newsletter



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Please remember our sick: Vincent Abela, Corazon Armonio, Julie Granero, Mary Swift, Alan Smith, Anne Levett, Ivan Dzido, Barry Bateson, Chiara Wallace, Jo O'Loughlin, Cecelia Henry, Joset Gatt, Sheila Marquez.

Anniversaries: Corazon Armonio, Conchita, Mary & Angelo Spiteri, Neville & Zlatka Pikulich, Sue & Dick Charleston, Lisa Jackos, Anita Delos Reyes, Richard Van Doorum.

Recently Deceased: Pamela Jennings, Adolphe Parfait, Lynette Desforges, Jane (Giovanna) Bugeja, Bebang Miro, Belen Roco, Calogero Jerry Picilli, V.C Mani, Bayne Geikie, Lachlan Carlow.



Sunday of the Resurrection, Year A

First Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: ‘You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea: about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses—we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead—and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

**R. This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
‘His love has no end.’ **R.**

The Lord’s right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

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Second Reading

St Paul to Colossians 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed—and he is your life—you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;

Let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

John 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciples, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't' know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciples to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciples, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that has been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciples who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.